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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the fees and an examination of the above-identified patent application,
the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 9 as follows (a marked-up copy of the changes is attached to the present
amendment):

9. (Amended) Process for producing a ceramic multi-layer filter according to claim 1, in
which at least two ceramic slurries are manufactured from at least two ceramic powders of the same
or different composition but different particle sizes with the additional of known forming and
sintering auxiliary agents, where the particles of the ceramic powders are wet with a material or a
material is added to the ceramic slurries in powdered form, which wets the surface of the ceramic
particle well with a temperature increase and has the same or approximately the same thermal

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